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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/633,471  
Applicant: Hughes  
Filing Date: 08/01/2003  
Group Art Unit: 3679  
Title: Improved Tool Joint of Multiple Orientations

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Non Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the communication from the Examiner mailed 4/19/06, please amend the application identified above as follows:

Organization of Amendment:

Section A Claim Amendments  
Section B Specification Amendments  
Section C Remarks